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"Watch On Rhine" Running Down, Say Yanks

Capt. L. Laliberte Sends Emblems, Letters From France



Former Sprague Worker Gives Interesting News of Occupied Country to His Wife, Edna, a Former Western Electric Employee

In speaking of the occupation, as American troops passed through France, Capt. Laliberte says: "...you check landmarks to see if you are on the right road and you find that you are. You continue forward and stop -- this is where your town WAS. It no longer is a town, but a heap of rubble and broken masonry. In some cases you couldn't find as much as one *unbroken dish!*

"I am not trying to paint a picture of a war zone, but just to show you that no matter what happens -- and that covers everything -- you could not possibly be as bad off as the majority of the people in this part of France. They have known practically every sorrow that anyone home in America ever has and a great deal besides -- and they are bearing their burden. I certainly thank God that these things never happened home!"

In Chateau Country

In a later letter, dated August 20, Capt. Laliberte continues: "We are located near a town in France which the fighting has not touched a bit. It certainly does seem strange. This is the first time since we have been in France that we have seen electricity in the homes. In this section people are not blackout conscious at all.... This morning I went to church in town and the service was beautiful. It is a beautiful old church and quite crowded. The churches in France are invariably very beautiful.... Right now, part of our staff is living in a French chateau -- very old and quaint. The owner speaks English quite well. He was attached to the French Military Embassy in Paris during the last war and is pretty well acquainted with conditions there now.... I am enclosing

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When Rome was Taken



Sgt. Clarence Jillson poses for his picture with his pal at the fountain at the entrance to Vatican City; brother of Grace of Paper Rolling.

Rehearsals for Annual Show Start Oct. 4th

Shows to be Staged November 23rd and 24th. Place and Hour of Rehearsals to be Announced Shortly

Plans are now under way for this annual event of the Sprague employees. Ray Mahar is again Chairman in charge of Ticket sales, and Wm. Jette and Roy Trotter, of Stage Properties and Lighting. If last year's performance is any indication, this year's show will be sold out well in advance.

Volunteers urgently requested.

Volunteers for this event are urgently requested. Forty women and twenty men are needed for the chorus; and Mr. Jette needs about fifteen stalwart men to assist in the stage properties. Men who may not care about acting on the stage can contribute their bit -- in muscle -- for stage properties. Rehearsals will occur Wednesdays and Fridays each week, place and time to be announced later on bulletin boards throughout the Plants.

Appreciates Service Record Book

Dear Miss Owen:

Once more, I'm writing one of my too infrequent letters to you folks. Mom wrote to me informing me of the beautiful record book into which Sprague's had put so much time and painstaking care so the folks of those in service could fill this in while we are away from home. A gesture like this, makes me grateful -- for when you do a thing of this sort for our mothers, you make both of us very happy. My Log will have to take a longer journey now, as notice by my change of address on the envelope.

Give my best to the people with whom I had contact during my pleasant years there and if anyone cares to write -- well, mail sure hits the spot now! Keep up the good work. S-Sgt. Lewis Quimby 20109257 ASN K Co. 328th Inf. APO 26 c-o P.M. N. Y. City, N. Y.

INVASION OF HITLER'S RHINELAND MOVING AHEAD LIKE CLOCKWORK

Now Is The Time For All War Workers To Step On It For Good Measure

You have heard us say many times in these columns that it is up to us to try to match the grit and fighting spirit of our boys over there. But we still must repeat those words, "The Time Is Now!" Our part here seems so small, so unspectacular, so safe that it makes us very humble; yet when they come home to us we **MUST** be able to say to them: "While you were fighting over there, we did what we could, the best we could, here!" So folks, -- no matter what the news -- **KEEP ON KEEPING ON!**

One of Many "Thank You" Letters Received

Sprague Specialties Co. North Adams, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

The card with the cigarettes was rather small, therefore I decided to use a sheet of paper to express thanks for your gift. Your smokes came at a time when they were really needed. My entire crew and I were out of them, and there was no place to get anymore at this advance base.

To you and your employees, the entire crew of the PT 114 expresses its deep appreciation for your thoughtfulness which makes us realize that many people at home haven't forgotten the boys over here.

Yours for a quick Victory,

Ens. Ralph T. Miller, USNR

Inaugurate Department Radio Programs

Beginning with the Sept. 22nd Radio Show, a new series of Department programs was introduced on the air. The Resistor Department from the Brown Street Plant put on this first program with unusual ability; with Ardelle Ruby at the helm, assisted by Pat Siciliano. Miss Isabelle Baird from the hospital was asked to review the situation at the North Adams Hospital.

Next week, the Machine Shop departments will dedicate their program in "A Salute to the Armed Forces." The Machine Shop has developed a male chorus well worth hearing, presenting the "Marine Hymn", "Caissons Go Rolling Along" and "Anchors Aweigh", and other patriotic medleys.

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DATE OF LOG SOCIAL COMMITTEE DANCE - October 6th.

The tentative date for the first of a series of Benefit Social events of this Organization is October 6th. Proceeds to go to the North Adams Hospital... Watch bulletin boards for exact date and place of dance.

"Of the Employees,-by the Employees,-for the Employees."



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"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

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BUSY SEASON AHEAD!

What with war production schedules at top levels; with the North Adams Community Chest Campaign in the offing; with the first of the "Log" Social Committee Dances slated for October; and rehearsals for the Annual Sprague Show already hitting a two-time-a-week pace . . . Sprague employees appear to be fully engaged in both work and relaxation. And it won't be long before Bowling Schedules will be under discussion, too. That's the right spirit! Keep Smiling!

CAPT. LAWRENCE LALIBERTE SENDS EMBLEMS AND LETTERS FROM FRANCE

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a few souvenirs for you — you can do what you want with them. We've been pushing the Jerries so hard they've left an awful lot of clothing and equipment and weapons behind. The Allies are certainly dealing the Nazis a severe blow at the present time — and I hope they continue!

* "The shoulder strap is from a German uniform — the prisoner was a private in the Engineers and belonged to the 17th SS Division. The ration card is for lager beer and used by civilians in occupied territory."

The accompanying photograph was made by Fred Crosier who took pictures of the actual emblems as brought in by Walt Carpenter, brother-in-law of Edna Laliberte. The first picture appeared in the last issue of the Log.

Future Programs Promise Much of Interest

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For the October 6th broadcast, Alton Perry of the Purchasing Department will pilot the program, and on October 13th, Gerry Reeves of the Mica Department will be Mistress of Ceremonies for a Brown Street Department program. Each department is keenly interested in the program it sponsors, and much rivalry is anticipated as various departments go on the air. Each department may invite guests at its discretion.

Any department wishing to put on its own program in the Friday "Sprague on Parade" series, contact the Log Desk. Response so far, has been so enthusiastic, that October dates are filled, but any Friday, beginning November 3rd may be booked.

Proud to be a Sprague Worker

Mr. Jack Washburn:

I want to thank you for making it possible for me to get the Sprague Log. Give my regards to Cas Zimlak — the best boss I ever had in my whole life. I really did like to work for him — if I get the chance, I would like to work for him again, if he'll accept me.

I see in the June Log where Sprague's received a congratulation from Rear Admiral Cochrane. Let me tell you, sir, I am proud to say that I worked in the Sprague Electric Company and I hope the Good Lord is with us so I can have the chance of trying to work for you people again.

Good luck to each and every worker of Sprague's.

Sincerely,
 Leo LaValley

Blood Donors From Sprague's

When the Blood Plasma Bank visited North Adams last month, the following Sprague employees donated to this cause:

Margaret Brousseau, Mary Farinon, Irma Leuchtenberger, Mary Mathews, Alice Morrison, Beatrice Boucher, William Falcon, Lucien Sciliano, Norman Champagne, Alice Sheldon, Harold Braffman, Margaret Durnin, Mildred Lavoie, Virginia Morin, Josephine O'Connell, Lillian Trombley, Angelina Blasi, Arlene Chalfoux and Raymond Favreau.

Also, Frances Wells, Helen Brown, Helen Burdick, Milton Spencer, Edw. E. Jones, Katie Bryce, Helen Mancuso, Howard Rice, Ardelle Ruby, Charles McNulty, Mary Messier, Isabell Mulvaney, Zyg. Nazzewski, Arthur Langlois, Lawrence Madison, Wm. Sheldon, Wallace Taylor, Alf. Bergeron, James Fitzgerald, Donald Kelly, Lillian Marco, Rose O'Brien, Lois Paradise, Rhena Soulia, Florence Southgate.

And, Catherine Griggs, Elizabeth Hunt, Elizabeth Hyndman, Alice Lunney, Mildred Tatro, Mary Solomon, Lillie Rougeau, Mertis Barton, Dorothy Carden, Wm. Schink, Lawrence Dufraine, Lorraine Adams, Stanley Bagdon, Jane Dufraine, Claire Provencier, Helen Faxon, Rita Kowalski, Maud Waska, Barbara King, Barbara Crandall, Eva Faour, Pete Mancuso, Wm. LaCrosse, Ernest Charbonneau, Louis Morocco, Eunice Charbonneau, and Gertrude Persons.

My First Trip to the Blood Plasma Bank

By Mary Mathews

To you who are making your first trip to the Blood Plasma Bank. Are you a little jittery? Perhaps a bit afraid? If so, brush aside those feelings, and to ease your mind, let me tell you of my experience.

DATE: August 22, 1944

TIME: 10:15 A.M.

PLACE: Masonic Temple, North Adams, Massachusetts

Upon entering the Temple, I was asked to take a seat with a group already there. In a short time they were ready for the 10:15 group. The procedure after your name was checked was very systematic, and executed efficiently. At desk one, your name, address, birth, etc. were written upon a card and presented to you. On the back of this card was a place for the signing of your release for the Red Cross. The next step was the Hemoglobin Test. This sounds frightening, but really is nothing. The nurses at this step were pleasant, and put you at ease. Now you proceeded to another room, where your temperature and pulse were taken, after which you moved on to have your blood pressure taken. Of course at this point you were right at home—for there was the Sprague Donators' ally, Miss Owen.

AT INITIAL PERFORMANCE OF "SPRAGUE ON PARADE" PROGRAM



Bernie Bullett, LOG Sports Reporter, listens to "Sam and Moe", those "tired darkies" as interpreted by Sydney Richardson and Gene Pyke, a Friday feature of the Radio Log.

Log Staff Party Well Attended

The Log business meeting and party of September 7th was attended by more than fifty members of the Staff and their friends. Mr. R. C. Sprague welcomed the Staff and expressed his appreciation of the fine work done; Mr. Ed Whitten was Master of Ceremonies, introducing the guest speaker, Mr. Everett Dickinson of Boston; while Mr. Larry Madison acted as Master of Music, for group singing, and also sang several solos.

Address By Mr. Dickinson

The address given by Mr. Dickinson was enlightening, touching as it did, on the progress of printing from early cuneiform writing to the present-day high speed press printing. Mr. Dick-

inson also recalled his early years in the North Adams community.

After a business meeting in which several new Committees were named, awards were made to eight Log editors and reporters for outstanding service, Honorable Mention and Special Mention were given to about twenty other reporters. The awards were based, first on Dependability; to contributors who do not need reminding each week to hand in Log news; second, Interest Shown; to reporters who show especial interest in presenting news in a different way, or in taking interest in advancing the standards of Log news; third, Good Writing; which included diction, correct spelling of names and legibility of copy.

AT SPEAKERS' TABLE OF LOG PARTY



Edw. Rice, guest; R. C. Sprague, President; Everett Dickinson, guest speaker from Boston; Ed Whitten, Editor; Marvin Williams, Assistant Editor, and Evelyn Fairchild, Associate Editor, at the Get-Together Business and Social Meeting of the Sprague LOG.

Of course, we didn't all have Miss Owen, as another nurse was working with her. A few questions are asked you here, and then you are sent to the table in the rear and have a drink, — of lemonade. You are now ready to give your blood. A nurses' aide escorts you to a bed and to the nurse who is to take your blood. The poised and gentle manner of these nurses allay any fears you may still have. They work quietly and efficiently and watch your every comfort during the bleeding process. When your pint has been taken and you are ready to be dismissed, a nurses' aide takes you, this time to a section where tables are set. Here you are given coffee, or beef tea and donuts, crackers or cookies. After your lunch and rest you are ready to leave. On the way out, your pin is presented to you. What a proud feeling swells in your heart, as you receive this pin! You solemnly swear to yourself, "I promise to donate again, as soon as my waiting period is up." You can't help but feel a little humble as the nurses and Red Cross Workers give you their sincere Thanks for your donation of blood. You feel like saying, "Thank you for helping to make this possible." As Walter Winchel would say, "An o'chid to each and every one of you who helped to make this visit of the Blood Plasma Unit worthwhile."

Next blood bank donations Sept. 26.

Not All Peaches and Cream!

Central Pacific

August 24, 1944

My Dearest Sweetheart:

Good afternoon darling! I just had a delicious meal of canned vienna sausage and dehydrated spuds (potatoes) and a drink of hot water. That's war for you! And to think that the people back in the States are beating their chops over rationing. I wish that those stupid eight balls could see some of the meals we eat over here. That's just the way I feel toward them. They work eight lousy hours a day and then have the nerve to strike for less hours and more pay. I'd gladly swap my position over here, to work eight hours a day.

Give me the good old U.S.A. any day. And those big smart politicians. I'd like to see those fellows handle a rifle or throw a grenade. Or volunteer to wipe out a nest of Japs. That would really be a sight.

I don't suppose this kind of talk is interesting to you, is it Darling? But honest, I get so d--- mad when I think of those things. L. has been on the reserve list for quite a while — hasn't he left yet? Well, Darling, I'll close for now with all my love and kisses — to the sweetest girl in the world.

B.

The above letter was received by Marie-Rose Lussier of Prod.Sched.

Log Staff Discuss Future Plans

At the close of the buffet luncheon tendered the Log staff and friends, at the Richmond Hotel on September 7th, several suggestions were made pertaining to the future of the Log and to the election of committees. Marvin Williams first brought to the attention of the Staff, the value of presenting last names in Department News, for, as he pointed out—other persons besides the particular department are interested in the news and names in that department. "If the news about a person is worth printing, it is worth using the person's

full name." Let's have exact names! Larry Haskins suggested more Log get-together parties, which was immediately seconded. The staff then nominated Mr. Haskins as Chairman for the annual Log Banquet to be given in January. Laurence Haskins suggested that the Log could become the nucleus of other groups, having particular interests as those interested in photography, archery, sports activities, and Marvin Williams suggested a dramatic society. The election of the Social Committee was the outcome of these suggestions.

SPRAGUE RADIO CHORUS ON AIR WEDNESDAYS



Front row: Charlotte Lasher, Ralph Boisjolie, Dick Norcott (hidden) Edith Lee, Helen Root, Gerry Reeves, Alice Swartz. Second row: John Walsh, Dorothy Hogan, Barbara King, Jane Windover, Claire Maxwell, Betsy Haskins, Alda Massari, Sarah Pedereine, Marion Smith, Cecelia Grenier, Laurence Haskins, John Garner, Sydney Richardson. Director, Larry Madison. Pianist, Florence Dunn (not shown in photograph).



WAC Tech. 5-c Marion Davis and Corp. James Campbell of Edmunds, N. D. were married Sept. 2nd at the Post Chapel, Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga. Marion formerly worked in the Resistor Department.

Miss Elaine Duperault became the bride of John Tremblay at St. Joachim's Church, Readsboro, September 4th. Mr. Tremblay works in the Maintenance Department.



A daughter was born Sept. 8th to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooney. Mrs. Cooney is Mary of the Mica Department.

Seaman 1-c and Mrs. Walter Westcott are the parents of a daughter. The young lady has been named Sandra.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe Wyer, former employees of the Beaver Plant, on Sept. 14. The young man is named Arthur Glenn.

A daughter, Sept. 4th to Mr. and Mrs. Cesare Spagnola. Cesare is employed in the Can Shop.

On Sept. 18th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Bishop, Laurence is employed in the Oven Dept., and Mrs. Bishop is Mildred, formerly of the Purchasing Office.

Florence Dunn to Play For Radio Series

Those who remember with especial interest the broadcast of the Sprague Radio Log from the Drury Auditorium, will recall the excellent piano accompaniments by Miss Florence Dunn for the chorus and soloists. We are happy to announce that Miss Dunn will work for the Sprague Chorus in its new series of broadcasts on Wednesdays. We expect that she will also be able to handle the accompaniments on Monday for Mr. Madison as well as the Friday programs as soon as her teaching schedule at Pine Cobble School is arranged.

Sprague Chorus Give "Rio Rita"

The Sprague Chorus scored again in presenting "Rio Rita" on its Sept. 13th program and the women's group sang "Bendemeer's Stream" in 3 parts very effectively. This was the women's first appearance and the group shows promise. Doris Tyler really did a swell job with the "Victory Polka."

Drop in any Wednesday and hear our show in the Game Room of the Richmond Hotel.



Miss Mary A. Beattie of the Boxing Department, has announced her engagement to Corp. Ray Kirkpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Archer Jones announce the engagement of their daughter Mildred, to Clarence Tatro of Clarksburg. The wedding will occur Sept. 30th. Mildred works in Mica Department.

Miss Lillian Reynolds announces her engagement to William Flaherty, G.M. 3-c. The wedding will occur Oct. 28th.

SPORTS

... By Carpenter, Bullett and Russell

CORNER CAFE SOFTBALL TEAM



Standing: O. King, T. O'Neil, J. Sarkis, C. Klein, D. Bowes, T. Moore, B. Garner, J. Sullivan. Front row: P. Denno, H. Gamari, G. Benoit, J. Bulletti.

Softball Teams

In the previous issue of the Sport Column, due to a shortage of space, the names of the players who took part in the 1944 All Stars vs the Corner Cafe twin bill of softball were omitted and also the names of umpiring staff. Your reporter is very sorry for this omission, and would like at this time to post the names in this issue.

The Corner Cafe team whose picture appears in this issue lists the players with the exception of "Toots" Bergeron and Bob Kelly. Toots took this snapshot so could not make the picture.

The players who played with the All Stars are as follows: T. Zanette, D. Dube, J. Ordyna, E. Lachance, P. Magnifico, D. Laird, A. Kellar, A. Southgate, K. Russell, C. Wasilewski, J. Swistak, C. Gigliotti, L. Vincelette, J. Vitali, G. Roy, T. Saiz, J. Ghiardi, B. Kolis, J. Vigna, P. Bozek and A. Flood.

The umpiring staff for this feature attraction: Carmen Simonelli, George Scarbo, Tun Dufraine and Jack Sullivan did a swell job and kept the games under control all the way. Also at this time, I wish to thank the players of both teams and the umpires for their cooperation in helping to put this sporting event over so successfully.

N. B. S. L. Play Offs

Adams Laundry, winner of the 2nd half, and the Sprague Products winner of the 1st half, played their first game last Sunday at Noel's Field. The Adams team won by a score of 7 to 3 and were never in any danger, except in the 6th when the Sprague team scored their 3 runs.

The batteries for the winners—B. Kolis and T. Saliz, for the losers, T. O'Neil and Davis.

"Butch" Kolis pitched good ball as usual and with his teammates fielding and hitting behind him, along with a couple of Sprague errors was never in any trouble throughout the game.

"Topsy" O'Neil pitched a good game also, but his teammates booted a few around at the wrong time and did not bunch their hits as well as the Adams boys.

The Umpires were C. Simonelli, T. Turoczy, W. Carpenter and W. Gallagher.

Carpenter

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ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Henry recently celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter, Isobel Mulvaney. Mrs. Henry is employed in the Industrial Oil Department, and Mrs. Mulvaney is employed in the Main Office.

All-Star Team Picked

As is a custom at the conclusion of any successful season, an all star team is picked to indicate the players' rating over a season. The Sprague Log Sporting Staff have consulted various coaches, umpires and even fans, and have come up with this team.

Thumb Nail Sketches of Players

Pitchers: The pitchers, Kolis, Southgate and O'Neill were top notch chuckers all season. Kolis in particular was brilliant, as he led the league in practically every department, strikeouts, shutouts and percentage.

Catchers: Salicz, Garner and Laird were all dependable hitters, possess good arms and were individual standouts on their respective teams. Garner was an all around man, but excelled behind the plate.

Infielders: To name four infielders would be as hard as to guess the correct ending of the war. We have selected eight, and all were good. Bergeron, Hart and Ferris gave Sprague's the best infield in the league. Fawcett, the second baseman of this group played very well in the second half, but his poor start in the beginning of the season reduced him to Honorable mention rating. Bohl was generally regarded as the sparkplug of the Products infield; Roy was erratic in the field but his big bat gives him his place on this team. Dube, Magnifico and Kellar, although playing with second division clubs were all standouts.

Outfielders: Ordyna, Bulletti, Bozek and Russell and Vincelette were all topflight gardeners and were consistent stickers. Bulletti probably is the finest outfielder seen around here. The other four were not as classy as John, but all played important roles in their teams' success.

Bullett

Major Leagues

The Major Leagues now have less than two weeks to play and as yet the American League race is a mad scramble, with 4 teams still pennant bound. The next few days will be crucial and fate will definitely determine whether it is to be the Yankees, Browns, Tigers or Red Sox that will be crowned 1944 champs of the Junior Loop. At the present the Detroit Tigers are on top, a half game ahead

of the shaky Browns, followed by N. Y. and the Boston Red Sox.

With the football season just about upon us, scattered games are being contested with Sat., Sept. 23rd the opening for many high schools and colleges. Last week found Adams High opening its season against Turners Falls at the Power Town. Lacking experience but not fight, the Mother Town boys were beaten—20-7. Statistics showed that Adams has a good aerial game and some good punters which should make them a respected foe and more so as the season progresses. Adams tackles another tough foe when they play Cathedral at Springfield under the arcs, Friday, Sept. 22. Drury is supposed to open on the 23rd opposing Dalton at the Community town, however, this game may be cancelled.

The main college game Saturday found Michigan University triumphing over the Iowa Sea Hawks by the close score of 12-7. Both clubs showed great promise in their opening game.

Ken Russell

PRODUCTS SQUARE PLAYOFF SERIES

The Sprague Products won the second game of the Northern Berkshire Softball playoff and evened up the series at one game apiece with the Adams Laundry. The score was 12-1. It marked the first time this year that "Butch" Kolis had been driven from the box, an eight inning rally by the local team turning the trick.

Northern Berkshire All-Star Team

Pitchers—

Kolis—Adams Laundry
O'Neil—Sprague Products
Southgate—Marshalls

Catchers—

Salicz—Adams Laundry
Laird—Marshalls
Garner—Electrics

Infielders—

Hart—Electrics
Bergeron—Electrics
Bohl—Products
Kellar—Spinners
Roy—Products
Magnifico—Marshalls
Ferris—Electrics
Dube—Less Market

Outfielders—

Ordyna—Adams Laundry
Bozek—Adams Laundry
Bulletti—Products
Russell—Electrics
Vincelette—Products

Honorable Mention—

Lachance, Wasilewski for B.E.S.
Vigna for M.A.C.
Vitali for Less Market
Gigliotti, Messier, Gallagher for "Y"
Fawcett, Zanetti for Electrics
Vincelette, L. Bullett, R. Bullett for S. P.
Mikotowicz, Moderski for Adams Laundry.



EVERY
MINUTE
COUNTS

**VICTORY DEPENDS ON
EVERYONE, EVERYDAY**

STAY ON YOUR JOB—don't lose time!

Missing



Navigator on Flying Fortress Lieut. E. J. Czaja Reported Missing in Austria

Second Lieut. E. J. Czaja, who worked in the Boxing Department from 1936 to 1938 was reported missing in action over Austria, according to a telegram from the War Department received by his wife, the former Theresa Del Negro, also of the Boxing Department. Czaja was a navigator on a Flying Fortress, and had arrived in Italy on August 14. He was reported missing after a bombing mission over Austria, just ten days after his arrival in Italy. Lieut. Czaja entered the army in June 1943, received his commission at Ellington Field, Texas, in May of 1944 and then transferred to Drew Field, in Florida before leaving overseas. He was home on furlough with his wife in July.



Paul A. Fitzpatrick, S2-c, formerly of Impregnating, now on USS Babbitt.

Joseph Allard has just had a visit from his brother, Corp. Harvey Allard, stationed in the South Pacific for the past 26 months.

Andrew Gigliotti, formerly of the Machine Shop has been given his wings as an aerial gunner at Tyndall Field, Fla., and transferred to Savannah, Ga.



Pfc. Robert Patenaude, serving in South Pacific, and brother of Doris Roberts of Retail Sales.

Cited For Outstanding Performance

First Lieut. Frank J. Wotkowicz, formerly of the Dry Rolling Department, and now a bombardier with the veteran B 25 Mitchell bomb group has been cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy. The citation which is for service during those critical days following the Italian invasion entitles members of this unit to wear a distinguished unit badge over the right pocket of the uniform. Two other members of this group, Thos. Richards and Sgt. Frank Kozik also were cited.

Fights Mosquitoes As Well As Japs

Dear Miss Owen:

I am sorry for not writing before, but we have been on the move all the time. I am writing this in my foxhole with the flies all over me. There were times when I had to eat Japanese food and use coconut water to make coffee with. We get a lot of cigarettes and so far from the Red Cross. The weather here is terrible—it always rains. This Island gets 96 inches of rain a year. The flies bother during the day, and the mosquitoes at night. Oh, oh, there goes a sniper. I will have to stop for now. (Later) It is all clear now—we got him. That is the way it is now—a sniper will come over occasionally.

I saw Peter Sacco just before I left Hawaii, and also Albert Messina. We took a picture for the Log and I hope it turns out well. Miss Owen, I have received two Logs since I have been on this Island, and all the boys enjoyed reading them. So, until I hear from you, good luck and God bless you.

Your friend,
Peter Maruco.



John Tassone stationed at Gulfport, Miss. Brother of "Carm" of Paper Rolling; son of Theresa, of Block Test.

Writes to Can Shop

People of Southern France,
Cooperative

Southern France

Hello Gang:

I want to thank you for the two cartons of cigarettes I received. I wanted to write sooner but we were in Italy getting ready for this Southern France invasion and could not write any letters.

The town in which we are staying is very nice, but I don't think we will be here very long. When we landed on D-day, we thought we were going to see a lot of action—but much to our surprise, we saw a lot more action when we made the invasion of Sicily. The girls here are very nice, and the wine is very good, and the people here treat us very good—they want to give us everything they have and were very glad that we landed here. They try to help us as much as they can.

I'll close by saying—So long,

Your friend,
Walter Rogowski

Meets Former Pals

Aug. 12, 1944

Dear Miss Owen:

I received your letter, and you were right about my change in APO number. I am now on the island of Guam and participated in the invasion of the island. When we first hit here, it was kind of tough, but everything is OK now. I had hoped to look up William Barry, but never got the occasion. I'll have to be satisfied in writing him. I am always glad to receive the Log—it always has interesting news, and all of us in the Service appreciate the trouble you go to in order to keep our military addresses straight.

I have met Lloyd King while I was on a pass in (CENSORED) and we met under surprising circumstances. I was walking on a business street and went to a restaurant to get a soda and couple of hamburgers and who walks in but Lloyd! He said I had walked right past him on the street. After that we chewed the fat until it was time to go back to camp. When I get settled, I shall look up Peter Maruco. I also met Bill Vareschi's brother who worked in the cafeteria.

Keep up the good work,

Your former worker,
John Januska

Leo Barriere is undergoing pre-aviation cadet qualification tests at Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss.

Eleanor Aspinall has been spending a vacation from duties as Cadet Nurse, from House of Mercy, Pittsfield.



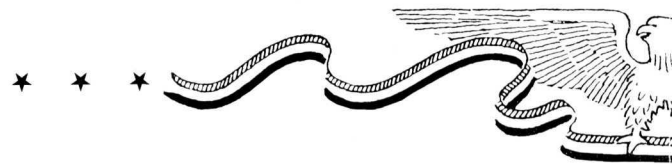
Pfc. Paul Strange, somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. Son of Elizabeth of Dry Test.

August 23, 1944

Dear Miss Owen:

I wish to thank you and Sprague's for their thoughtfulness and kindness in sending me the Log so regularly. It sure is swell to read all the shop news. It keeps us in touch with the folks back home. I can realize now how much the boys who are over across must appreciate it. Just one favor, I would like to ask however—could you by some measure or other, kind of "pep up" the Paper Rolling and Dry Assembly departments so I may read something about what is going on in those departments.

Thanking you again, Miss Owen,
Sincerely yours,
Jim Copeland F 2-c



★ ★ Letters and News from

THREE TRIMARCHI BR



Sgt. Rocco Trimarchi is with the Army Engineers and is serving in the S. Pacific; Pvt. Russell of the Marine and Kitty O'Neil of Resistors.



Air Mail Letter From John Rosse

Hi Friends!

Here I am again, writing to you from overseas. I arrived safely and am stationed in the Hawaiian Islands, on the Isle of Oahu, and there isn't much difference from back home—we live in barracks and have everything just like back home. I have been to Honolulu and have also seen Pearl Harbor.

So far, I haven't met anyone from home, but I know where Bill Cleary is stationed and am going to see him tomorrow. The July issue of the Log caught up with me last week and it was great to read it again. I would like you to put my address in the Log so that I may get in touch with some of the boys stationed out here. Thanks again for the Log and Aloha.

Pfc. John Rosse 31285667
Btry G, 779th AAA AW Bn.
APO 5799 c-o P.M. San Francisco, Cal.

Cardimino In Second Invasion

Staff Sgt. Peter Cardimino, a former Sprague employee, has been with a B 25 Mitchell bomb group, which has figured in every major operation through Tunisia, Sicily and Italy, and has now participated in the sorting up process of air support in southern France.



Thomas Dean, S2-c, somewhere in the Pacific. Husband of Millie of Block Annex.

With A Fi

"With A Friend" body of an American action on the other Father Lucian Gall of St. Francis of Assisi a copy falling into O'Grady, of 501 W York City, who so thank her for it. S

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But I'm sure glad You today.

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Well, I have to go n Strange, since I afraid to die.

from the Armed Forces ★ ★

BROTHERS IN SERVICE



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—Pfc. J. J. W.

Leo LaValley With Famous Fifth Army

Leo LaValley has been serving with 351st regiment in Gen. Clark's crack Fifth Army, which has driven the Germans from the Garigliano River to the Arno. Except for a brief rest period, this regiment marched and fought almost continuously for more than five months.

This 351st regiment has a number of "firsts" to its credit. As part of the 88th Infantry division — the first selective service infantry division to go overseas, this 351st was the first to enter combat, first to earn a Distinguished Service Cross, and the first to receive a battlefield promotion.

August 30, 1944

Dear Miss Owen:

Just a few lines to thank you very much for sending me the *Log* and also to give you my new address. Since I last wrote you, I have changed camps twice. From the Thayer General Hospital in Nashville, Tenn., I went to Camp Pickett, Va., then to Camp Dix, and just a few minutes ago I received the August 12th *Log*. Thank you very much.

I have been worked over so much in all army hospitals that they finally decided to quit cutting me into a jigsaw puzzle, and put me in 4-F. I am now in what is called a casual pool... and as much as I hate M.P.'s, I may be one myself before long.

I was just home this past week end on a pass and had a wonderful time. Now that I am so close to home, I may get there quite often and will stop in the plant the first chance I get. Hoping you people keep up the good work, and that you keep sending me the *Log*, I'll sign off.

Sgt. L. Wienack

August 20, 1944

Hello Gang:

I guess that by the time you receive this, the U. S. A. will be making bets on when the war will be over. Well, for my part, it can end tomorrow! I received word that Bill Carter arrived in England O.K. Hope he didn't get a funny feeling inside when the boat started to roll... I was pretty lucky — and only sick once all the way over. And that once lasted all the way from the U.S.A. to Africa! Believe me, I am going to try to stow away in a plane on my return trip!

It doesn't look very good for Cedo Remillard when he tries to drive his new car with air, instead of gas, in the tank. Well, cheer up — I will gladly send you some Italian cognac, since I think it has enough power over here to make a steamshovel run faster than the Minute Man!

Say, did you get my last letter with the design I made of the work you were doing? Will close now, hoping to hear from you soon. My best regards to all the old Minstrel Gang, and congratulations to Aggie (I mean Mrs. Miles O'Grady) best of luck to you and Miles!

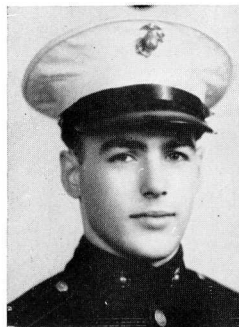
Your friend,
Jim Dillon

TISDALE BROTHERS



William Tisdale, Petty Officer 3-c, somewhere in S. Pacific; Ensign Robert Tisdale in San Diego, Calif. Sons of Lillian of Dry Test.

Ray Racette Hospitalized



Pfc. Raymond Racette who took part in the invasion of Guam, spent seventeen days in a hospital with an infected leg. He has now recovered and is back on duty. Ray, formerly in the Dry Test department, has been overseas since last December.

Edward Morin Sends Back Souvenirs

Pfc. Edw. Morin who has seen active service in Tarawa and Saipan, has sent home some valuable souvenirs of his engagements in the Pacific Islands. Among them is a large Japanese sabre, two Japanese flags, one of which was probably flown from a Jap vessel, a package of Japanese cigarettes and two pieces of jewelry. According to his family, Edward was last stationed on Tinian Island.



Pfc. Earl V. Strange, stationed in Iran. Son of Elizabeth of Dry Test, and husband of Florina of Block Test.

V-Mail Letter From Earl Strange

Hello Mom:

Well here I am in Iran Persia. I am in the best of health and hope that everyone there is the same. The only fault that I can find is that it is too darn hot. This is the hottest country in the world, and when the wind blows it is just like a blast furnace, it is so hot. But I suppose I will become used to it if I stay here long enough, which I hope I don't. I would rather be back in North Adams in a hundred and twenty degree temperature which would be cool compared to here. You can just imagine how hot it is here. Well, Mom, I hope that everything is all right at home and don't worry about me, as I am well and in no danger whatsoever and I will be home to see every one and to stay. Well, Mom, I will close for now and write again later. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,

Your loving son,
Earl

George Forgea, husband of Mildred, has been assigned to duty aboard a landing ship, as a motor machinist's mate. He was formerly in Engineering Specification Dept.

George Gilbert Wounded



Pfc. George Gilbert, employed in Dry Formation D-pt. until 1942, is reported wounded in invasion of France, according to word received from the War Department by his wife, Mary, of B.T.A. George entered service in December 1943, was wounded August 20th, just a short time after his arrival overseas.

Receives Gunner's Wings

Pfc. Robert Senecal, formerly from the Paper Assembly department, has received his gunner's wings in the Army Air Corps, following a special course in Texas, and is assigned to duty in Lincoln, Nebraska.



Kenneth Blanchard, Seaman, has been promoted to Storekeeper 3-c at Long Island, N. Y. Kenneth was formerly employed in the Beaver Payroll Department.

Pfc. Robert Duprey, formerly of K.V.A. department, now stationed at Ft. Bragg, N. C., recently spent a furlough at his home in Adams.

Harold Williams, formerly employed in Mica department has been promoted from Seaman 1-c to Petty Officer 3-c at Newport, R. I.

Lt. Herbert Field has been transferred to Bradley Air Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.



Pvt. June Bunting, stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. She is the daughter of Victoria of Dry Test.

MARSHALL MUSIC

Welcome to Bob Shoemaker
Glad to see Bob Shoemaker around again. We have missed you, Bob.

Selkar Department

By R. Pasotti and T. Burdick
Good luck to Virginia LaPlante, Midge Moran, Shirley McNeil, Dolly Salerno, Gloria Lopardo, who have left us to resume their studies at college. We extend a hearty welcome to the girls who have replaced them.

Eloise Filault is spending her vacation in Burlington, Vermont.

We are going to miss our chorus girl, Betty Sommers, who has returned to school.

Gladys Sharron has returned from her vacation—hope you had a good time, Gladys.

Something new has been added to Selkar. Our new fireman, Howard Wetmore. How do you like the job, Howard?

It is like old times having Leda King with us again. Feel at home, Leda, because all the old gang from Gas Mask welcome you back. Who said that we wouldn't be together again?

Gloria and Yolanda Lopardo have returned from a two weeks' vacation which was spent in New York City.

Partition Patter

By Arthur W. Charron

To those kind friends who noted my absence from the last two issues of the *Log*, my only excuse is that an unfortunate set of circumstances, of which mental lethargy was a strong contributory factor, caused my lapse and relapse. I fondly hope to continue annoying you all for some time to come.

The highlight of the day, one recent Saturday, was the brief visit to this department of Mr. R. C. Sprague and guest. We weren't trembling, honest, we always work that way! Anyway, please come again "R. C." we liked it. (But not too often).

Mabel Maxwell extends her greetings and best wishes to Leda King who is now a member of the Selkar Dept.

George and Alyce Roy spent an enjoyable weekend on Lake Champlain. No alibi is needed, the big ones did not get away; the samples we baked, were delicious, no end.

Yours truly was very pleasantly surprised with a large, luscious birthday cake. Thanks Ruth, Doris and everyone. How many candles? Hm, even the Ouija board won't tell.

Having recovered from a recent invasion by Ruth Millis, New York City was again besieged by Partition

Assembly in the persons of Doris Armstrong, Ruth Morrissey and Marjorie McConnell. Fortunately, last reports seem to indicate that these "Robot Bombs" left most of the Metropolis intact.

It seems that our cheerful, terrific, careful enjoyed the unique experience of a daylight "Piggy-back" ride on Fifth Avenue no less. Could that have been the substitute for that proposed horse-back ride through Central Park?

After listening to the various comments on those new Fall dresses acquired by Partition Assembly, Betty Hunter has decided not to risk exhibiting her choice for the season!

Rose Salter is sporting a lovely silver bracelet of English coins. Ruth Morrissey's specialty is Italian jewelry. These soldier husbands are thoughtful, indeed.

Will Doris Armstrong please arrange a "coming out" party for her Dad? This Hathaway Street Humourist pretends that friendly greetings should only follow a formal introduction!

Vacations:

Mabel Maxwell—preparing her daughter, Claire of the Brown St. plant for college entrance.

Clementine Zanetti—moving into her new home.

Betty Hunter—at home, catching up on things.



Shower for Edith Lee

Fifteen guests honored Edith Lee last Saturday, Sept. 16th at the home of Miss Doris Hiser of the Personnel Department. The occasion was a shower for Edith whose marriage to Pvt. Wallace Dickinson will take place in the near future. Edith was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

Machine Shop News

By Walsh and Remillard

"You are never too young — or too old to learn wrestling", says Edgar Remillard, who intends to start a wrestling team. Anyone interested please get in touch with "Cedo" at the Beaver Machine Shop as soon as possible.

Ask the employees in this Department about the dressed 3780 lb. pig he saw during his vacation in Canada.

Recent visitors at the Shop were John Mahoney, M.M. 2-c of Morehead City, N. C., and Pvt. Michael Gentile, from Chicago, both former workers here.

Machine Shop Cooperative Society Formed

Purpose: Display Victory garden produce.

Results: Donations to Machine Shop Cigarette Fund.

It all developed from the melon which George Scarbo brought in from his Victory garden, to show off to his co-workers. It was a whopper. So-o-o George decided to raffle it off and contribute the funds received, toward the Department's own Cigarette Fund. The result of this first venture netted \$1.40.

More donations are expected from other Victory garden growers. So far, potatoes, beets, carrots, pepper and eggs have been promised, for future raffles. The Machine Shop expect to swell their Fund considerably, while the garden growers get a lot of satisfaction from displaying their produce... for instance, one of the members raises tomatoes equipped with funnels, like spouts, so when the tomato is squeezed, the juice obligingly comes out of the spout to fill bottles or other small-necked containers.

FROM PAST TO ---- PRESENT



DEGRENIER BROTHERS

In the good old days: Albert Degrenier, returned from service, now in Dry Formation; Peter, at Hoosac Cotton; Harvey, foreman at Net-works, Brown Street. Back row: Joe, Dry Rolling; Colby, supervisor in Boxing; Edward, returned from service; and insert, George, Seaman 2-c now at base in New London, Conn., formerly in Maintenance.

Tubular Assembly

By Eleanor Stay

Looking over the score board to determine the champions in Pitch, we see Pete Law and Leon DeGraff are constant winners. What's the matter with the rest of you?

James Mancuso, Pete Law, Leslie Kent and Leon DeGraff spent an enjoyable fishing trip a couple of weeks ago at Burlington and the Grand Isles. Leon said that they had all kinds of luck — how about it, boys?

Mrs. Eileen O'Brien Bedard has returned to work after three weeks of married life. Congratulations and best wishes.

Sonny Williams is awaiting his call to the Navy, having passed his tests. Best of luck, Sonny.

We welcome back Eva Shippee—hope you are feeling fine. Congratulations, Peter Law on five years of married life.

Our sympathy is extended to Ralph Blanchard and Doris Gaudette on the loss of their sister... and to Peter Law on the loss of his father.

Why did the girls nickname Teddy "Yo Yo"? Do you know, Teddy?

It was nice seeing WAC Emma Blair. She looked grand! She is stationed in Louisiana and in the Air Corps.

Who is that certain person, swinging down Union Street with his duffle bag? It's only Romeo, girls.

Tubular: Assembly people know how to grow victory gardens. Just take a look at the tomato weighing three pounds, belonging to Mary Rogge — or the potato weighing almost two pounds that Eva Shippee brought in.

On vacation is Alma Kent. Earl O'Neil spent the week end in Boston, attending the Yank and Red Sox series. He still thinks the Yankees are lucky.

How about news from the Night Shift — what do you say, Margaret?

Engineering Specs

By Hazel Goodale

The Engineering Dept. wishes to express its sympathy to Howard Sherman on the loss of his father-in-law who passed away recently at his home here.

Mildred Forgea has returned from a recent trip to Philadelphia where she spent a few days with her husband who is at present stationed in Virginia.

This department was happy to have a visit from Seaman 2-class John Whitney and his wife, Jenny. Whit is home on leave from boot training camp located at Sampson, N. Y., where he has been stationed. On his return to camp he expects to be assigned to an advanced training center.

Lab Gab

By Cynthia and Carmella

Clayton's chance to be a hero went p-h-t-t when the hurricane spurred North Adams. Hastily abandoning pleasure for duty, he was among the first to answer the emergency call at the State Armory. Unfortunately, his noble "do or die" spirit was delegated to telephone detail, and there it waned until 5:00 A.M.

Irvig is forever cured of misplacing his little black notebook. The last time he retrieved it, it was filled to overflowing with new feminine names and telephone numbers.

Hate to mention this again—but Art Randall is growing another moustache.

So glad Bob Shoemaker had a speedy convalescence after an appendectomy. Best wishes to Charlie Thornhill, who has enrolled at Boston University.

The full joys of paternity were experienced by Stanley Bagdon when he brought his little son to school for the first time. Of the 35 parents present, Stan was the only male representative... In the melee, he was asked—"And whose little boy are you?"

Western Electric

By Emma Alongi

The department welcomes James Rice and Gertrude Persons who have just returned from a leave of absence.

We're glad to see Bernie Suprenant back with us, she has just returned from a 2 months' visit with her husband who is stationed in Mississippi.

Recent vacationers are Mary and Dot Moore who spent an enjoyable week at Atlantic City and visiting the high spots in New York City.

Betty Hermon spent her vacation at Brigantine Beach, New Jersey.

Nathalie Sere recently entertained 8 guests in honor of Irene Burke who celebrated her 18th birthday. Irene was presented with a decorated birthday cake and many lovely gifts.

Minnie Stay recently celebrated her birthday, she received a lovely gift from her co-workers; we all wish you many happy returns.

It is rumored that Reggie, Nancy and Wanda gave their opponents a strong competition at the beauty contest which was held at Atlantic City in New Jersey.

Isabelle Jones, Margaret Bourassa, Jean Koza and Mary Currie spent their vacations resting peacefully at home, and Marjorie Blair spent a week at Old Orchard Beach, Me.

We are glad to have Anita Wojnicki with us again—she returned from an eight months' visit to Alabama where her husband is stationed.

Buy Bonds Today

Our boys are on a mission — They've started another invasion. There's Tom and Dick and Harry — Maybe all have girls named Mary. They're not at a picnic nor a dance — But out there, taking a H — of a chance. And none would rather be on this side of the map

They prefer to be rid of Hitler and Tojo, the Jap.

And what I say, we know is true — By buying bonds and praying, too, We're helping our boys to win For our own red, white and blue!

A Western Electric Worker

IMPREGNATING

By Angie Langer

Louis Pedercine S 1-c recently visited us after making his third trip to England. Paul Fitzpatrick also visited us after completing his "boot" training at Sampson. He is now at sea. A.C. Nick Del Negro has been transferred from Scott Field, Ill., to Yuma, Ariz., to complete his aviation training.

Here is luck to you boys!

Charlie Goodermote has been sneezing and sniffing and swears his new haircut is to blame. It looks good Charlie — try it often!

Our detective, Dan Millis recently discovered that the "Salt" who drops Velma a card occasionally, uses green ink — and this gives you're truly reason to be "green eyed".

Everett Gino spent his vacation at Lake Champlain and all he brought back was a WHALE (of a story).

Leon Richards spent his vacation remodeling his home—but says he would much rather fish. Better luck next year!

Harvey Durand of the night shift, walked into the department last Thursday, put on his glasses, looked everything over and believe it or not, didn't have a single complaint to make. Surprised?...

Bertha Richards returned to St. Ann's Academy after working with us during the summer. We will miss you, Bertha, especially Red, who has been walking around with a swollen jaw, too.

Joe Downey has created a new style for you girls who wear dungarees. He likes fringed cuffs, for himself.

Boxing Department

By Connie Urbano

Vera Formhals spent a week in Boston and Lynn.

Jo Pisano spent a few days in Quincy and Boston.

We do not need any lights in the department. Mary Beattie's diamond is sufficient. Good luck, Mary, we wish you every happiness.

Mae Szetela is on leave of absence. Hurry back, Mae, we all miss you.

The Boxing Department extends their heartfelt sympathy to Tessie Czaja, whose husband is missing in action. We all say, "Keep your chin up, Tessie."

One rainy Friday night, a group of 15 girls decided to barge in on Mrs. Lillian Boyer, the occasion was Lil's birthday. How does it feel to be 16 again, Lil? Refreshments and punch were served. Games were played and dancing was enjoyed by all.

Welcome back Anne Sweeney, who was on a leave of absence. We missed you, Anne.

We girls enjoyed Carolyn Champney and Jennie Chalifoux's birthday cakes.

The Boxing Department girls have a well organized Bowling Team, and they are willing to challenge anyone. Their next rivals are the Western Electric. Best of luck girls, we hope you defeat them. We'll be waiting for you.



Pvt. George H. Daub and wife Isabel of Boxing. George, formerly of K.V.A. is at Camp Dorn, Miss.

Block Test

By Barbara King

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO BLOCK TEST — "IF"

Ora L.—came in at seven in the morning.

Shirley F.—brought a lunch.

Betty F.—forgot her coffee in the morning.

Micky K.—wore overalls.

Sally W.—didn't have any more hair to burn.

Marie Sacco—stopped singing.

Harry C.—forgot his cowboy shirt.

Rita A.—didn't have a joke to tell.

Harry A.—didn't have any candy bars.

Florence L.—forgot her gum.

Sydney R.—didn't play his cowboy music.

Bernie B.—forgot the flower for her hair.

Ann D.—came to work in the morning.

Alphonse—got that certain date.

Tessy M.—didn't yell for Harry.

Phil B.—didn't sing the Marine Song to S.

Elizabeth H.—didn't bring in a tomato.

Lillian S.—forgot Harry A's candy.

Pauline J.—forgot to call Harry "Rosie".

Mary M.—lost her kerchief.

The Checkup—didn't find any pin holes to reject.

Marie Sacco

Welcome back from Canada, Muriel Benz. It's swell having you back.

Mina Estes spent her vacation at Barber Pond in Pownal; Rita Allard and Helen Lesure journeyed to Newbury, N. Y. for their vacation.

Have you noticed the nice ten gallon hat Teddy Raymond wears these days? And speaking of "noticing"—Helen Harrington noticed that Mina Estes had on two different shoes!



Corp. and Mrs. M. J. O'Grady, Jr., married June 21st at Fayetteville, N. C. Mrs. O'Grady is the former Agnes Todd, clerk in Block Annex.

Can Shop

By Lena Zappala

Welcome back to the Can Shop, Rose and Helen.

Here's hoping Sweeney and Albert had a nice time over the week end.

What's got you worried these days, Joe? Can it be the stork?

Congratulations to Rose Ravizza on her tenth wedding anniversary — and to Betty Horgan on her fifth.

What is the conversation over, Rose and Bill, Lucy and John, that you go into a huddle every noon?

We of the Can Shop extend our sympathy to Richard Germain on the loss of his mother-in-law.

Who is the girl who visits "Yard Bird" every noon?... Come, come, Yard Bird, don't tell us it is your sister.

Well, Pinky — all you need now is a corn cob pipe!

Pinky and his friend John Bryce spent the week end in Boston where they attended a double header between the Red Sox and the Yankees.

Congratulations to Cesare Spagnola on his tenth wedding anniversary, September 26th.

Production Scheduling

By A. 'n L.

Last Friday was a sad day in the Production Office. We all said farewell to Irving Toupence. His friendly smile and outstanding personality will be missed. The best of luck, Irving, during your course at Salem Normal.

We of Production Scheduling welcome Eunice Charbonneau to our group.

Congratulations, Art and Mary Mathews on your new grandson — Arthur!

Marie-Rose Lussier has attained the ripe old age of eighteen. Many happy returns of the day!

Betty Hubbard thinks a fellow six feet, four inches tall is about average height. Evidently she and Flossie don't agree.

Mamie has been the envy of the office with her Lake George sun-kissed complexion.

Ethel Carpenter returned from a week's vacation at Windsor Pond.

Dry Rolling

By Mamie Farinon

Laura Davis who came up from the South to work during the summer, has returned to her studies in college. The gang from Owens, wish her loads of luck.

VACATIONS: Lil Howard spent a week's vacation at Daub's. She sports a lovely tan... Anna Ridgeway has returned from an enjoyable vacation... Margaret Wholer spent a vacation in New York City... Edith Russell spent a week with relatives in Hoosick Falls... Jennie Mazza visited Nantucket Bay on her vacation, and did she have fun!

Bill Lamberti made a hit with the high school girls during the summer, according to their reports. Bill now holds the title of Casanova of Dry Rolling.

He was allowed a half hour — but swallowed 36 raw eggs in 4 minutes! Who? Ask Adam Novak of Dry Rolling — or anyone at the Corner Cafe about the bet — anyway, I guess you won, Adam.

Alma is the gal who can wear the new French braids — they are most becoming.

It is nice to see you back, Theresa, and hope you can stay awhile.

Signal Lights

By Robare and Reopell

Last Friday the local Signal Corps staff played host to Lieut.-Col. Frank Prima, Commanding Officer of the Newark Signal Corps Inspection Zone; Lieut.-Col. McBrearty; Major Gilman; and 1st Lieut. Ozsvath, all of the Newark Zone. They were accompanied here by Capt. R. J. Fitzgerald, Officer in Charge of the Schenectady Area.

All Signal Corps personnel, here and at the G. E. plant in Schenectady, were interviewed individually by Lieut.-Col. McBrearty. In the course of the interviews the entire party was escorted on a tour of the Sprague plants by Mr. R. C. Sprague, Sgt. James Carlson, Mr. Raymond Burchard and Mr. Walter Clark.

Something new—in the form of three stripes—has been added to the sleeves of Inspector-in-Charge James Carlson. Congratulations, Sarge!

Dedicated to Charlie

I love your hair
I love your eyes
But where in the world
Did you get those ties?

by Bobbie from Block Annex

Paper Rolling

By A. O'Brien and M. Lamberti

While Janet Roy's husband, Cliff, was home on furlough, they were present to help celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of Cliff's father and mother, Rena and Arthur Roy.

Congratulations to Dot Meiklejohn who recently celebrated her 16th wedding anniversary.

Frances wants to know what's the difference between a white man and a hindu? How come, Fran—are you going native on us?

Bill Davis is on his vacation... where to, Bill?

Marie Richer has returned from visiting her husband stationed at Boston.

Lolly Ellis received a surprise letter from a good looking service man. Yes! tall, blond, and Oh Lolly!—what a hunk of "Sonny Tufts"... what can the rest of our department do to receive surprise letters?

What happened to Helen Poirat the other morning when she came in with one brown shoe and one white one. Is it as dark as all that on the Trail, mornings?

Believe it or not—There is one girl in Paper Rolling who never has worn a bathing suit. How's about breakin' down?

Joe Candiloro of the U. S. Navy was home on a week end pass. He says he is scheduled to take a short trip (his first) to get his sea legs.

Tina Vareschi is a lucky girl. She received a gold cross from her husband, Staff Sgt. Henry Vareschi stationed in New Guinea. The gold used in the cross was found in the hills of New Guinea. Molds were made, and the gold melted into it to form the cross. Being of pure gold, it is of considerable value.

NETWORKS

By Lucy DeFazio

VACATIONS: Lillian Adams spent her vacation in Providence, R. I. and at the Narragansett race track... Theresa Phillips spent hers visiting her parents in Canada... Mildred LaVoie went to Springfield for her vacation... Joe Macksey vacationed in the Adirondacks.

Frank Godfrey was in his glory when his youngest son, George from the Maintenance Dept., Brown Street was with us. We don't blame you, Frank, for being a proud father.

John Scott has left to go back to school and works in his leisure time for the Sample Department. Sorry to see you leave us, Scotty.

Welcome back, Ellen McManus, after a leave of absence.

Mary Roberts celebrated her birthday September 6th. We wish you many happy ones—and thanks for the sampling of your delicious birthday cake.

Welcome, Romeo Scerbo to our Laboratory.

SORRY—Vernie Bass and Peggy O' Haggerty are attending Mass. State College in Amherst, not North Adams State College as mentioned in last issue.

Section Test

By Kay Pappas

To those who were transferred from Section Test—we miss you and hope you pay us a visit sometime.

Luck to Frank Casacelli, Jr.—who has joined the Navy.

Dorothy Alderman, our "luscious out-of-this-world" blonde has resumed her studies at Drury. She still illuminates Section Test after school with her golden halo.

Best wishes to Lillian Reynolds who announced her engagement and coming wedding.

A greenback shower was held September 12th in honor of Lillian Reynolds. Refreshments were served and a mock wedding held. What fun we had—whistle—whistle.

We wish a speedy recovery to Agnes Herbert's husband.

A letter from W. Buzzell, our former co-worker, states he is in the best of health and spirits. He said a Marine's life is extremely dull without mail—and he would appreciate hearing from all of his friends.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN—"IF": Lil Reynolds—didn't blush.

Ethel Gilman—

wasn't so darn accurate with figures. Peggy Sutliff—didn't go home to lunch.

Agnes Herbert—wasn't so talkative. Charlotte Lasher—lost her voice.

Helen Blair—put her hair up.

Norma Lerta—

didn't pay us a visit every day. Al Bergeron—wasn't so industrious.

Mary Walden—wore lipstick every day. Betty Cwalinski—flew off the handle.

Beatrice Barcomb—

bought a new laugh.

Dry Test

By Marie Sherry

Kathleen James of Dry Test received word that her husband Frank, has been promoted to Top Sergeant.

Helen LeSage spent Labor Day week end in Turners Falls, visiting relatives.

We are glad to have Laura Rivard back again, and a hearty welcome to Lillian Tisdale back after a leave spent with her two sons home on furlough.

Lillian Colo is spending the week end in New York. Have a good time!

That's quite a sparkler, "Joe" Bassie is wearing on her third finger — left hand!

Here is hoping Elaine Bourdon's mother is on the road to recovery.

And here is hoping that Mary Boschetti catches up on her sleep while on her vacation.

Plating Department

By Jane Dawson

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN—"IF"—Nellie Drobiak—kept her shoes on. Erma Miller—lost her western accent. Dan Kimball—could keep a pencil. Burt Moloff—lost his sense of humor. If you called "Bill" in the Etch House and only one answered—Bill Sulle — Bill Perras — Bill Sorell!

Bill Sulle is back from vacationing in the Green Mountains. If anyone wants to know how to climb mountains—just ask him.

Welcome to newcomers: Alice Booth and Edward Moreau.

Thanks to Alice Booth, we girls are well fed with fresh garden vegetables and fruits she brings to work each day. I take this opportunity to thank you.

Johnny's brother, Corp. Arthur Bartlett of the Army Air Corps, is spending a 21-day furlough home after serving three years overseas. He has been in Italy, Sardinia, North Africa and France. He will return to camp in Nebraska after his furlough.

Ben Martin spent last Saturday at the Rutland Fair.

Howard Isherwood spent the week end fishing at Richmond Pond.

Who is Dimples? Who brings you — chocolates?

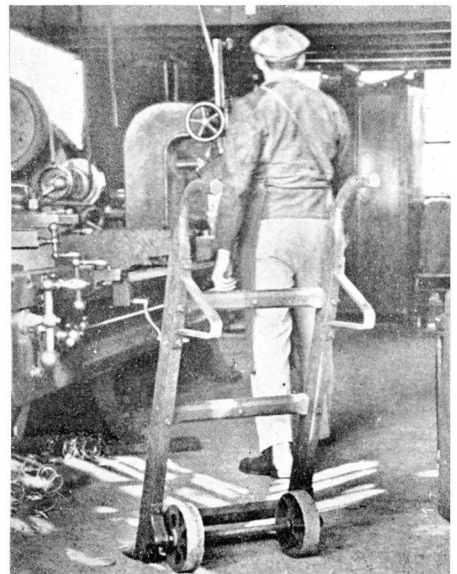
Bathtub Assembly News

By T. Boulerville and R. Haskins

It's Christmas all year 'round, if one considers the gifts which girls are receiving from their servicemen all over the world... Eleanor has three beautifully carved cameos from her husband in Italy; Kitty, our check inspector, received an exquisite jewel box of carved sandalwood and ivory from her husband in Burma; and Pearl has shown us several lovely ivory pieces sent from the South Pacific Island, to her daughter from her husband. These articles really are treasures—but are paid for dearly—in the loneliness of separation from loved ones!

Myrtle Thomas recently enjoyed a vacation camping in Vermont State.

Glad to see Minnie Summer back with us.

SAFETY CORNER

Keep Aisles Clear . . . Keep Down Accidents

BROWN STREET "BRIEFS"

And So They Die - - -

In distant lands so far away
Our boys stand watch both night and day,
Prepared with guns, eyes straight ahead
Frequently glancing o'er graves of the dead.
It could be your loved one buried there
Amid the sand — Prevent this disaster,
Give a helping hand.
Buy plenty of War Bonds, donate your blood
To help our boys fighting in jungle and mud.
End this war so mothers won't sigh,
"So they fight and so they die."

Written by *Leone Kerson*, age 15,
daughter of *Johanna of Mica Slack Room*.

SILVER MICA

By Dorothy Boutwell

The Silver Mica Dept. held a picnic at Sand Springs three weeks ago. We had hot dogs and bacon, hamburgers, a big bowl of delicious potato salad, which Jessie Senecal made, hot coffee and soda. Lawrence Hiser and Walt Evans were the caterers, with Doc Boutwell bossing the job. We played ball, darts, cards, and danced. Gerry Rhodes and Dot Gayda went swimming before we ate and almost froze to death. They were so cold and shaking so much that their hot dogs kept jumping out of the rolls! But a good time was had by everyone.

Lucy Sutton is back with us after being on a month's leave of absence, while her son, Burton, was home on furlough.

We received word from Pvt. Joe Moresi. His address is Pvt. Joseph Moresi 11108614, 3508 A.A.F., Sec. "L", Bks. 1436, Trux Field, Madison 7, Wisconsin.

Corporal Francis Merrigan paid us a visit a few weeks ago. He looks as though the Army was agreeing with him. He expects to be shipped across any time.

Mr. Robert Manns, our foreman, enjoyed his vacation the last week in August by staying home, and painting his car. Some vacation, hey Bob?

Vacations:

G. Rhodes—Hampton Beach
L. Mastroianni—Cape
E. Bailey—Newport, R. I.
D. Boutwell—Boston and vicinity
L. Hiser—State Guard Camp
W. Evans—
Around home—Red Sox games
M. Coffill—At home
E. Konopka—
In the vicinity of Boston
R. Manns—At home

Brown Street Payroll

A farewell party was held recently for Doris Fisk at the home of Irene Chouinard on Bryant Street, assisted by Agnes McDonough. Games were enjoyed and prizes awarded to the lucky winners, namely: Millie Ottman and Helen O'Brien. Claire Murray and Kay Heath furnished the entertainment for the evening—Hi girls! By the way, where did Ruth Yarter earn to run that bingo game, number called for, number had!

We were very glad to have with us one of our former co-workers, Connie Marino. Nice to see you, Con.

A delicious lunch was served by the two hostesses and during this time an appropriate gift was presented to Doris who fittingly responded. Best of luck "Do" from all the gang.

NEW SOCIAL COMMITTEE OF LOG



The Social Committee of the LOG, appointed at their party, will Stage a Benefit Dance. Seated: Agnes McDonough, Mary Mathews, Marion Caron and Rita Siciliano. Standing: Sydney Richardson, Mammie Farinon, Bernie Bullett, Betty Jangrow and Larry Madison.

Social Committee, Outgrowth of Log Staff Party

With unusual spontaneity, members of the Log Staff went on record to form a Social organization with the Log Staff as a nucleus, at the get-together business meeting and party of September 7th at the Richmond Hotel.

Mary Mathews, Assistant Editor, proposed a social committee be formed to sponsor benefit dances, card parties, and other social affairs, the proceeds to be given to such local organizations as the North Adams Hospital, and the Community Chest, or the Sprague

Christmas Benefit Fund. Her motion was quickly seconded and Mary was named Chairman of the Log Social Committee. She asked that her committee members be elected from the floor. Very quickly, Log reporters suggested names from their group, who were voted upon and elected. The Social Committee thus named were: Mary Mathews, Chairman; Marion Caron from the Personnel Dept.; Mammie Farinon and Bernie Bullett from Beaver Street; Agnes McDonough and Betty Jangrow from Brown Street; Rita Siciliano and Sydney Richardson from Marshall, and Larry Madison,

Wire Coating News

First Shift - - By Betty Jangrow

Our supervisor, "Willy" Harris, enjoyed a week in Canada, recently.

"Bill" Battersby has returned from his week's vacation.

Rose Koscielniak has been very busy getting her young son, Alan, ready for his first day at school.

Dot Rice, Betty Jangrow, and "Al" Laneto have freshmen to worry about. "School Days", also meant that Connie Beverly and Pete Phelps returned to their teaching duties, and Marjorie Seddon returned to Amherst for her Sophomore year.

We are glad to see Denise Peloquin back after a sick leave.

Marjorie Hart is out on a leave of absence. She is expecting her husband who has seen foreign service.

2nd Shift - - By Connie Prendergast

Hello Vicky! We're awfully glad you're back with us again. We missed you while you were gone, especially your nice, hearty laugh.

Mary Knowles informed Paul Sanford that he could go on another fishing trip, only if he could bring her back a much bigger fish and less story the next time!

Welcome to Walter Richardson, our new floor man, who has really got into the "swing" of Wire-Coating.

We liked this one.
The firefly is a brave little cuss, But he hasn't any mind,
He goes buzzin' round this univus With his tail-light on behind!

Third Shift - - By Mary Rosse

Adelle and Martha had one swell time seeing the bright lights in New York City on their week's vacation.

Poor "Sam", those hives are surely teasing him these days. Is it or is it not the hives?

Brad took some snapshots on his vacation that were honeys. Some fun, eh Brad?

So nice to have Ethel Kayes back with us again.

Phyllis Jones has returned to the gang after having had a happy stay

in Alabama visiting her husband, Pvt. Fred Jones of Fort McClelland. She is now busy at work, but oh! how she eagerly awaits her husband's furlough.

Pvt. Daniels, husband of Rachel, is spending his furlough at home. Need we go further? Rachel must be the happiest of happy girls.

An enjoyable gathering was recently held by the gang in Wire Coating, in honor of Nurse Margaret Accetta, who is transferred to another shift. The guest of honor was presented a War Bond by our Supervisor, Sam Cookis. Nurse Accetta's many kindnesses will be gratefully remembered.

Mica Prep. Department

By Rita Johnson

Doris Sumner is having a three weeks' vacation from Spark Testing and visiting her brother, who is stationed in South Dakota with the Army Air Corps.

Irene Boucher and Lucille Hall recently celebrated their birthdays and were presented gifts and flowers by their co-workers of the Spark Test.

Mary Utman entertained 16 of the Spark Testers at a chicken dinner Sunday. Games were played and Pauline Bowes and Edith Lillie were presented cards and gifts in honor of their wedding anniversaries.

Helen Slater spent Labor Day week end camping in Rowe, Mass.

Viola Oullette, former Visible Inspector and Tester, who is spending a three weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rene Oullette, paid us a visit Friday. Viola, who is in her second year of Cadet Nursing School at House of Mercy, Pittsfield, looked very snappy in her gray uniform. Good luck, Viola.

Marion Quadland of Visible Inspection, and Rita Johnson, Inspector on the Spark Testing celebrated their birthdays recently. Both were presented lovely gifts, flowers and cards by the girls.

The Mica Prep. Dept. and friends enjoyed a chicken and spaghetti supper at "Petey Dinks" in Clarksburg, recently. Games, music and dancing followed. Mrs. Ruby Hall and Kay Varin were in charge of the program.

Paper Networks

By A. Heath and W. Sheldon

Mary Girard spent a week with friends in Springfield and Williamsburg.

Ida Watts returned from her vacation in New Jersey.

Jessie Wilk was in New York for a week.

Eleanor DeSanty spent a week with friends in Rome, N. Y.

Viola Rand is at Lake Swanzey, N. H.

Florence Danforth gave a birthday party for Mary Girard the other night. A good time was had by all.

Lena Bullett and Grace Ogert had a coming out party the other afternoon. Bernie Stackpole helped with the decorations.

Shirley Walton, Phyllis Goodrich, and Jane Zubek, left to go back to school. Good luck, girls. We are going to miss you.

Why, oh why, do Lydia White and Flo Danforth go to Adams and scare all the horses down there?

Florence Toyne and Evelyn Morton have a little joke between them. Let us in on it, girls.

Bill Sheldon spent the week end with friends at Lake Swanzey.

We should furnish a few soft pillows for Millie Charbonneau.

Sam Dean cut a rug at the Blue Room the other night. What a boy!

Meter Multiplier Room

By Cecelia Grenier

Mr. Frank Gassett, foreman of the "Resistor Navy Line" enjoyed a week's vacation. We hope you had a good time, "Boss".

Welcome back, Isabel George! Your sunny disposition is an asset to the room.

Vera Barrows finally got away for that vacation in Connecticut.

Our bride, Annette Trombley, has returned to work. It's nice having you here, Annette.

Meanest man in the plant: G. G. Reason: He goes around scaring little girls!

Ethel Glick left to return to school. "Roz" is the sister of Sam Glick, formerly of this dept., who is now serving overseas with the A.A.F.

We are all wondering why Pat is going around so starry eyed these days. Is it a new boy friend, Pat?

Mica Dept. News

By E. Rhodes and T. Bushika

It seems like the lunch thieves are back or, shall we say, let loose again.

Oh, if I were only a little bird with a candid camera at a certain picnic! Why does Rana Brouillard flutter around lately? Can it be a guy named?

If it's a bicycle you want to buy, sell or have repaired, see Vic Gendron of the Mica Dept. I wonder if it hurts him to have grease on his over-alls?

Just picture Frecks Millis in a sailor suit. Not bad, Heh? But you can't beat Barnacle Bill, Frecks.

June LaHue is to be married to Joseph Roberts some time in October. Best of luck, June.

Marion Parrino spent a daring week in New York City.

A picnic was enjoyed by the Preliminary Test and Assembly Line at Daub's Old Pond. The grounds were willingly given to the group, but the cows and a bull showed their disapproval by eating the remaining food and also the paper plates. At sight of the bull, many of the girls climbed the trees and remained there until the *Heroes*, Tony Marino and son Ralph, chased it away.

Have you heard Mary DiLegoing "Johnny Get Your Gun, Get Your Gun"? It's something to hear!

K. V. A. Cover Assembly

By Lil Hart

To John Smith and Cary McLain we extend our sincerest and most heartfelt sympathy in their recent loss.

WELCOME TO:

All the girls from the Bathtub Can Preparation, and others who have joined "Our Gang". We hope you like it here.

Visitors to the K.V.A. included Pvt. Johnny Bentz, formerly of Vitamin Q, now stationed in Fort Benning, Ga. "Tun" Dufraigne vacationed in Greenfield, Boston, and on a farm.

We know you were anxious to return to your quiet, "harmonious" department.

Mary Roy has just returned from Ardmore, Oklahoma, where she was visiting her husband who is now "Overseas".

The reason for the "sparkle" in Doris Morey's eyes was that her husband Scaman 2-c Russel Morey was home on a week's furlough from Sampson, N. Y.

Mary Peltier, Barbara Crandall and Dolly Poirot enjoyed a delicious dinner at "The Springs" followed by the "Theatre".

Isabelle Wicherow, Blanche Cui, Dot Steinhoff, Betty DeMarco, Phil LaBrique, and Barbara Crandall, were entertained by Mrs. Frances Kelly at her home with a delicious spaghetti dinner. A good time was had by all.

Congratulations to "Rae" Lawson, and "Jean" Raycroft for their promotions as Inspector and Desk Clerk.

We wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Josephine Magin of Vir. Q.

DEPARTED IN

RADIANT CONTENTMENT

Bernice Crawford — to "Our Lady of the Elms" Chichepe. In preparation to become a nurse. "Good luck, Bernie."

Grace Hampel — to return to school. You must come back next year "Gracie", "He" will still be here.

Muriel Desautels — to Rivier College, New Hampshire. We will keep you busy, Muriel. Don't forget to answer your mail.

Simone Roy — undecided.
Billy Mahoney — to New York State. We are going to miss you "Billy" and your favorite "Cowboy Songs."

Ray Serbo — to return to school. Good luck from the gang.

BATHING BEAUTIES



Pauline Bazinet of Western Electric.



Reggie Miliszewski, Wanda Raczkza and Nancy Miliszewski.